framing businessman" appearing in the 'Hindustan Times' dated July 4, 1997;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) the number of vigilance enquiry pending for registering false cases by the Delhi Police as on date; and

(d) the position of false cases registered in the infamous Connaught Place shoot out case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi Police have reported that 4 officials found involved in registering a false case against a shopkeeper were awarded the punishment of forfeiture of two years approved service at the end of departmental proceedings instituted against them. The shopkeeper concerned had separately filed a case in the court of Metropolitan Magistrate but according to Delhi Police they have not so far received a copy of final judgement given by the court.

(c) As on 5.8.97, 17 vigilance enquiries on charges of registering false cases by Delhi Police personnel were pending.

(d) The sanction for prosecution against 10 police officials involved in the case has been accorded on the basis of the investigation report furnished by the CBI.

*[Translation]*

**Welfare of the Martyr BSF Personnels**

3123. SHRI N.J. RATHWA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to provide economic assistance by providing residential facilities to the families of those jawans of para military forces who laid down their lives for the sake of the country;

(b) if so, the details of progress made so far in this regard; and

(c) other measures taken for the welfare of the families of deceased para military personnels?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c) Ex-gratia payment of Rs. 2 lakhs, liberalised pensionary award and other benefits admissible under Central Govt. Employees Insurance Scheme (CGEIS) are paid to the families of the deceased CPMF personnel by Govt. of India. States like J & K, Tripura, Punjab etc. also give ex-gratia payments. CPMFs also pay compensation from various welfare schemes run by the CPMFs. Retention of Govt. Pool accommodation is allowed as per Govt. of India orders. BSF has constructed 111 Nos. Qtrs. as widow homes for BSF Widows out of the fund raised for welfare activities.

*[English]*

**FCI Godowns in Assam**

3124. SHRI DWARKA NATH DAS : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up FCI Units with mini godowns in each and every District Headquarter to facilitate Public Distribution System;

(b) whether the Government propose to set up two FCI godowns one each at Karimganj and in Hailakanoli districts as agreed upon by the FCI Regional Authority, Assam; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (SHRI RAGHUVANS PRASAD SINGH) : (a) Due to fund constraints and economic non-viability it is not feasible to set up FCI godowns in every Revenue Distt. Headquarter.

(b) and (c) FCI has its own godown of 5,000 MT at Badarpurghat in Karimganj Distt. (Assam) which is sufficient to meet the TPDS requirement of Karimganj Distt. In Hailkanoli (Hailakandi) Distt. FCI has a hired capacity of 1,000 tonnes to meet PDS requirement.

**Ramagundam Fertilizer Plant**

3125. SHRI G.A. CHARAN REDDY :
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY :
SHRI SUBRAHMANYAM NELAVALA :

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the largest coal-based Fertilizer plant at Ramagundam is facing closure;

(b) if so, whether in 1992 the Bureau of Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has recommended to the Central Government to close the Ramagundam Fertilizer factory alongwith other public sector industries which were running with heavy losses;

(c) whether the Ramagundam Fertilizer factory has suffered more than Rs. 1000 crore losses during the last one decade due to the coal and power shortage;

(d) whether the Government had appointed a Committee to study the problems of the factory for revamping it;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the concrete steps being taken by the Government to save the Ramagundam Fertilizer plant from closure?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILISERS (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) and (b) The coal based fertilizer unit at Ramagundam is owned by the Fertilizer Corporation of India Ltd. (FCI), which was declared a sick company by the Board for Industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) in November, 1992. The BIFR has not made any recommendations for the closure of FCI, Ramagundam.

(c) During the period from 1.4.87 to 31.3.97, FCI, Ramagundam incurred a net loss of Rs. 699.37 crore due to low capacity utilisation on account of equipment problems and infrastructural constraints.

(d) to (f) The options for the revamp of the Ramagundam unit of FCI were examined in the course of a recent technical study commissioned by the Expert Group appointed to reformulate the revival package of FCI from the stand point of the Financial Institutions. The study has estimated that the revamp of the Ramagundam unit, which would entail changeover of the feedstock from coal to naphtha, would require a fresh investment of Rs. 953 crore, apart from various financial reliefs and concessions. The scope of the revamp of the functional units of FCI is to be determined on considerations of viability and tie up of the funding arrangements.

**Renaming of Railway Station**

3126. SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the reply given to USQ No. 2123 of 30.7.96 and state:

(a) whether the proposal for renaming of Railway Stations was received from West Bengal was not in conformity with the existing guidelines on the subject; and

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The guidelines laid down in 1953 contain various broad principles which are required to be kept in view by the State Government while examining the question of changing the names of villages, towns, cities etc. The guidelines, *inter alia*, mention that unless there is some very special reason, it is not desirable to change a name which people have got used to; that a change should not be made on grounds of local patriotism or for linguistic reasons or for merely satisfying local sentiments. These guidelines are also applicable to the change in the names of Railway Stations.

**Smuggling by Policemen**

3127. SHRI RAMSAGAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Customs questions two policemen for smuggling forex' appearing in the 'Times of India' dated July 19, 1997;

(b) whether the customs authorities at the Indira Gandhi International Airport are questioning two policemen for their possible involvement in the smuggling of foreign exchange worth Rs. 28 lakhs and have sent a report to the concerned police authorities;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the police in the matter; and

(d) the action taken by the Government to ensure that henceforth no policemen enter terminal building without being on duty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The customs authorities had questioned three Delhi Police personnel in connection with the incident and one of them was later arrested under section 104 of the Customs Act, 1962. The police official concerned has since been placed under suspension and a preliminary enquiry has also been ordered against the other two police officials.

(d) The Police personnel on access control duty have been briefed to allow entry only to those who are on duty. In other cases, entry is permitted only after obtaining permission from the senior officers and making appropriate entry in a register specially kept for the purpose.

**Freedom Struggle**

3128. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State of Kerala has made any representation to declare any other struggles in Kerala as freedom struggle;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?